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To: Planning
Subject: Comments for Planning Application DISC/26/0237

Categories: Comments Received

Comments summary

Dear Sir/Madam,

Planning Application comments have been made. A summary of the comments is provided below.

Comments were submitted at 11/08/2026 10:37 AM [REDACTED]

Application Summary

Address:	Christs Hospital School The Avenue Christs Hospital West Sussex RH13 0LJ
Proposal:	Application for Approval of Details Reserved by Condition 33 (Noise Control Scheme) to approved application DC/24/0063 (Variation of Condition 1 of previously approved application DC/21/1524).
Case Officer:	Sophie Moore

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Customer Details

[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
Address:	8 Bluecoat Pond Christs Hospital Horsham West Sussex

Comments Details

Commenter Type:	Neighbour
Stance:	Customer objects to the Planning Application
Reasons for comment:	- Privacy Light and Noise
Comments:	I object because incidental music would introduce unnecessary noise nuisance to neighbours. Christ's Hospital School Noise Management Plan - Revision B 17/7/2026 which has been submitted for approval in section 1.2 seeks "As part of the sports events, an outdoor mobile PA system will be used to convey announcements and incidental music to the audience." I can see no valid reason why incidental music is needed as part of a sports event. If they are permitted to broadcast music this will dramatically increase the time during which they are disturbing their neighbours. It will be analogous to a call centre phone line playing music when on hold. Incidental music should be deleted from section 1.2. Whilst the music level can be moderated, it is still audible and will constitute a nuisance to the neighbours. 2. The document is written from the point of view of the school running events. The athletics track is operated on behalf of the school by Bluecoat Sports; a commercial operation. The document will better serve its purpose if the responsibility for operating events and

nominating officials is clearly given to Bluecoat Sports. They are on site and should also be given responsibility for non-school events which have not been covered in the current document (but are covered by a Community Use Agreement). They will have a manned telephone line for complaints which avoids the need to man the school office telephone in the evening.

3. Operating hours. Section 1.4. The event hours at weekends differ to those agreed with the district council in the Community Use Agreement. 9pm should be reduced to 8pm at weekends to align with the agreement. This document states that "there will not be more than 12 events in a 12-month period." This is misleading and should be removed because it conflicts with the Community Use Agreement which seeks to achieve a significant level of community use. I also believe Christ's Hospital will wish to maximise their return on their considerable investment in the facilities.

4. Policy and Regulatory Context. Section 2.0. The statement "it is considered to be an appropriate reference for an outdoor event involving amplified music as well as speech announcements" is completely unjustified. If Christ's Hospital were truly trying to ensure the minimisation of disturbance to residents, they would not use sound limits formulated for outdoor music events. They would use lower limits and not subject their neighbours and own audience to pop concert levels of sound. The Environmental Health experts should propose lower limits more appropriate to a sports event. I have in mind that the original planning application was rejected in January 2019 because of excessive noise and light disturbance to neighbours.

5. Noise management. Section 7.0. "The School" should be replaced by "Bluecoat Sports"

6. Complaints Handling. Section 8.1. and Management Structure. Section 9.0. "School Office" should be replaced by "Bluecoats Sports".

Where did you
hear about this
application?

Not specified

Kind regards

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